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SUBJ: INITIAL ROK PRESS COVERAGE OF VICE PRESIDENT'S TOKYO VISIT

1. VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE'S ARRIVAL IN TOKYO WAS GIVEN FRONT PAGE COVERAGE IN ROK PRESS AFTERNOON, JANUARY 31; UPI PHOTO ACCOMPANIED ARTICLES. THERE WERE NO MORNING PAPERS.

2. IMPORTANT JOONGANG ILBO SAID IN A FEATURE THAT, "MONDALE TRIP WAS AIMED RATHER AT EXCHANGING VIEWS THAN SETTLING PROBLEMS RELATED WITH RECOVERY OF WORLDWIDE ECONOMIC RECESSION IN HIS MEETINGS WITH WEST GERMAN AND GOJ LEADERS," AND JUDGED, "HE FAILED TO GET DEFINITE ANSWER FROM FRANCE AND WEST GERMANY FOR PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION." LEADING INDEPENDENT DONGA ILBO SAID ON ITS FRONT PAGE COMMENTARY THAT, "USFK IS LIKELY TOPIC AT MONDALE FUKUDA TALKS." DONGA SPECULATED THAT JAPANESE PRIMIN WILL APPARENTLY OPPOSE RAPID PULL BACK OF USFK WHICH WILL DESTROY EQUILIBRIUM IN KOREA, AFFECTING SECURITY IN KOREA AS WELL; THEN EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT OUTCOME OF TALK.

3. IN EDITORIAL BEFORE MONDALE ARRIVAL, MASS CIRCULATION HANKOOK
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ILBO COMMENTED THAT VICE PRESIDENT WAS NOT ATTEMPTING TO HOLD TALKS ON SPECIFIC MATTERS, BUT WAS TRYING TO SOLIDIFY US-EUROPEAN-JAPAN TRIANGLE; IN THIS CONNECTION HE WOULD DISCUSS ECONOMICS. NONETHELESS HANKOOK'S ATTENTION WAS DRAWN TO MONDALE-FUKUDA TALKS "IN WHICH THE FATE OF USFK WILL BE WEIGHED IN ANY FORM, EVEN NOT IN SUBSTANTIAL WAY." IT WENT ON TO NOTE US MILITARY PRESENCE IN KOREA WILL BE A TOPIC AT UPCOMING FUKUDA

WASHINGTON VISIT," AND FINALLY COMMENTED THAT, "WE
CAN HARDLY EXPECT THE SCHEDULED US-JAPAN SUMMIT TALKS TO DRAW

ANY DEFINITE POLICY LINE AS TO USFK."
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